

# Genola Newsletter

"Genola, a small town  
with a big heart."



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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

What makes a good leader? How can I become a better leader for our community? These questions have been in my mind since I started serving the community several years ago. I have found answers in a person who I think is the greatest leader of all time. He held no earthly position as a leader that anyone at the time paid attention to. He did not build great structures to memorialize himself. He lived a humble life from his birth to his tragic death. In spite of his short time on earth he has had more influence than any other man that has ever lived on the earth. I speak of course of Jesus Christ.

What were the leadership characteristics that made him so powerful? He was kind and compassionate to those who needed his compassion. He was firm and straightforward with those that needed his rebukes. He led by example, never asking someone to do something that he himself would not do. Although he was perfect he was very compassionate and merciful in his judgment of other's actions. His ideas were revolutionary and his teachings have changed individuals and nations. He taught "love thy neighbor as thyself" and "pray for your enemies and those that despitefully use and persecute you".

I am grateful to have the example and teachings of such a great leader to help me to become a better leader. The same teachings can be applied in our community to help Genola become a great community. As I meet with other Mayors and hear of the challenges in their communities I am very grateful that I live in Genola. For the most part we are a very loving and supportive community. On many occasions I have been the recipient of neighbors reaching out and helping me. This makes me want to reach out and help others.

I hope that we can all do better at following the example set for us by Jesus Christ. I hope that we can be more compassionate and kind with our neighbors. That we can look for ways to help them and to lift them. We all have our struggles and challenges and we all have are strengths and abilities. Let's use our strengths and abilities to help lift other people's burdens and shore up their weaknesses. Let's continue to make Genola a wonderful place to live. Let's love each other and work to develop a strong community so that we can all be happy where we live.

Your friend, neighbor and mayor,

*Lonny Ward*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Town Council Meetings: on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Senior Citizen Meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Genola Volunteer Fire Department meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.



## **TOWN BUSINESS**

### **-TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Dec. 23-26 FOR CHRISTMAS and Jan. 2 FOR NEW YEAR'S.**

We can email auto-payment authorization forms and/or monthly bills for your convenience.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments please inquire at the Town Office.

### **-Update from Lucinda Daley**

This past year I have attended 3 trainings and received scholarships for 2 of those trainings. The educational opportunities have been extensive. It's an excellent opportunity for me to review my responsibilities and learn what legislation has changed and how it affects our Town. In March I attend the Municipal Clerks Academy where we had Professional Education courses in many different subjects. In September I attended the Fall Conference for the Utah Municipal Clerks in Vernal and the Midyear Utah Business License Conference in St. George. These conferences give me the opportunity to rub shoulders with my fellow clerks and recorders and the networking is priceless! It is difficult to know if I'm on the right track with the duties I have. There is always something I can learn to improve myself and these educational conferences inspire me to do so. I come back with a renewed enthusiasm and determination to be a better steward of my office.

### **-Water Master Plan**

The Town received a CDBG Grant this past year for our Water Master Plan. There was a RFQ (request for quote) sent out and we received seven responses. Mayor Ward and Council then narrowed it down to five engineering firms JUB, EPIC, Sunrise, Horrocks, and Fransen . The five were asked to present a proposal for the Water Master Plan. Mayor Ward and Council then scored and reviewed the proposals, finally deciding on JUB Engineering. Mayor Ward, Chris Steele and Lucinda Daley went to Orem and met with JUB to initiate the project. During the past three weeks we have been gathering maps and information to send to JUB to get the process started. The goal is to have it in the finishing stage by February. Once we have our Water Master Plan we can work on funding for the waterline upgrade on Lake Road which will cost approximately \$250,000.

### **-Town Emergency Preparedness**

James Stanley has accepted the position of Genola Town Emergency Preparedness Director.

### **-Miss Genola**

Nancy Penrod has accepted the position of Miss Genola Pageant Director.

We are so grateful to the volunteers that are willing to dedicate their time to better our community. We are currently looking for additional volunteers to help with the emergency preparedness and Miss Genola. Please contact

### **-2016 Building Permits**

In 2016 there were 11 building permits approved for new homes, 11 approved for barns or sheds, and 5 alternative energy permits approved.

## **EAGLE PROJECT**



I am Jeran Zohner. My Eagle project for Genola was to put up cement pads around 15 fire hydrants. I did this because nobody could see them either because of weeds or because they were buried in the ground without a flag to show where they were. All of them are finished but the project has not been fully funded so any donations would be greatly appreciated. Any donations need to be directed to the city office.

## **GENOLA COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

*Library hours are:*

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**

**2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

**Saturdays**

**10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

## **SENIOR CITIZENS**

-We still meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 10:30 am, Entertainment begins at 11:30 am, and lunch will be served at 12:00 pm. Come join us!!!  
For More Information Call Linda Arnold @ 801-754-5341.

## **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

We would like to take a moment and thank all of the coaches, referees, parents, and volunteers for a successful soccer season. Jr. Jazz Basketball will begin in January and players should be contacted soon by their coaches. Genola Youth Baseball Registration is scheduled to begin in January and will be open through February, 2016. This deadline coincides with Santaquin's deadline. It's important that we have a player count for each team. If we are unable to get teams together by this date, a refund will be issued and our players will be sent to Santaquin to participate.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The holiday season is upon us and this means winter driving conditions. Here are a few helpful reminders about driving in adverse conditions.

- Inspect your vehicle tires. Not only should motorists have tires with adequate tread, but tire pressure is vital to get the best performance during winter conditions. Extreme cold will cause vehicle tires to lose pressure.
- Store spare clothing in your vehicle. If you happen to slide off the road or get stuck be prepared to walk or wait for help. Cell phones are a great, but if you're involved in an accident you may lose the phone or service may not be available.
- The number one factor in winter accidents is SPEED. Allow yourself a few extra minutes to negotiate the road conditions. Four-wheel or front-wheel drive vehicles can travel faster in adverse conditions, but I assure you they don't slow down any faster than grandpas old pick-up truck.

Many people travel during the holiday seasons. The ever present criminal element in our society is well aware of this too. If you are leaving the house for a significant period of time over the holidays please leave a light on. Let a trusted neighbor or family member know when you will return and who may or may not be visiting the residence. Do your best to make appear someone is home. Please don't advertise your absence to people who don't need to know. You're welcome to request an extra-patrol from the police department 801.754.1070.  
Enjoy the Holidays...

*Chief Hurst*

## **GENOLA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

We have another firefighter that has passed both Fire I & II along with his hazmat classes. Firefighter Corey Carter has put in 160 hours of classes and hands on skills, the fire department would like to thank him for his dedication to the Town of Genola residents. During this time of year we would like to remind everyone to keep fire safety on their minds by never putting any ashes from your fire place or stoves into the trash. Also be mindful in regards to Christmas trees, wiring and holiday candles, please make sure those smoke alarms are working, we hope everyone has a save holiday season.

## **GENOLA YOUTH MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**STARTING THE FIRST JANUARY MAYOR WARD WOULD LIKE TO START ORGANIZING A YOUTH COUNCIL. PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN OFFICE AT 801.754.5300 IF INTERESTED.**

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### **Town Clerk:**

Lucinda Daley

### **Deputy Clerk:**

Meagan Robinson

### **Website:**

[genola.org](http://genola.org)

### **Facebook Page:**

Genola Town Information

### **Public Works:**

Chris Steele

Paul Broderick

### **Senior Citizens Directors:**

Linda Arnold

### **Recreation Director:**

LaCee Clayburn

### **Fire Chief:**

William McMullin

### **Emergency**

### **Preparedness Director:**

James Stanley

### **Youth Council Mentors:**

Kenyon and Jennifer

Anderson

### **Youth Mayor:**

### **Genola Town Council**

### **Mayor:**

Lonny Ward

### **Councilmen:**

Neil Brown

Stan Judd

Marty Larson

Hale Robison

### **Genola Planning Commission**

### **Chairman:**

Joe Stubbs

### **Vice Chairman:**

Nancy Baird

### **Commissioners:**

Brian Ewell

Sandra Greenwood

Patty Scott

John Rosenberger

Ronald Hawkins